

years Mahlon has been involved with the patrol, he has not only earned numerous decorations, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Mahlon has earned the rank of Second Lieutenant in the Platte Valley Squadron and further distinguished his record at Hawk Mountain Ranger School and at the National Glider Flight Academy. Mahlon has also maintained an impressive 3.97 GPA and is also planning on serving his country by attending the Air Force Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Mahlon Kruse for his accomplishments with the Civil Air Patrol and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of the Mitchell Award.

HONORING MR. BOB SHRYOCK, RESPECTED JOURNALIST AND ADMIRER MEMBER OF THE SOUTH JERSEY COMMUNITY

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Bob Shryock for his contributions to South Jersey through his journalism and civic involvement.

Mr. Shryock began his long and successful writing career at the age of 11 as a daily golf columnist. Since this precocious start, Mr. Shryock has worked for 62 years in the newspaper industry and written over 10,000 columns. He began his South Jersey career as sports editor for the Gloucester County Times in 1964. During this time, Mr. Shryock hired me for my first job. It was my responsibility to call Mr. Shryock and report on Bellmawr Little League scores. It was a duty I took very seriously and I remain grateful for that opportunity to this day. Between 1969 and 1980, Mr. Shryock was managing editor for both the Gloucester County Times and the Camden Courier Post. His columns are still a highlight for me in the Gloucester County Times.

Mr. Shryock is a very active member of the South Jersey sports community and has been a high school football announcer for over 30 years. In 1967, Mr. Shryock co-founded the Touchdown Club of South Jersey to honor high school football players. The club has expanded over the years to honor athletes for both their athletic achievements and their academic successes.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to have benefitted from Mr. Shryock's sage words for many years. I look forward to reading many more columns from Bob and I hope that he will continue to announce at football games for many years to come.

FORT LEWIS COLLEGE TRIBUTE

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the centennial anniversary of the founding of Fort Lewis College, of Durango, Colorado, on January 25, 1911. Fort Lewis

College has continually provided a world-class liberal arts education for students of 47 States and is consistently recognized as a top university in the United States.

On January 25, 1911, Governor John Shafroth signed a bill creating an agricultural high school open to all students and offering a free education to Native Americans. The school received \$60,000 in funding for its first year from the State of Colorado. Since then, Fort Lewis College has proven itself able to adapt to the educational needs of its time. The school has progressed from agricultural high school to a junior college in 1927 and eventually a four year liberal arts college. The school has survived numerous attempts to shut it down, and in 1948 became an independent educational institution under the Colorado State Board of Agriculture. In 1956, Fort Lewis College, then Fort Lewis A&M, officially moved to its present location in Durango, Colorado.

Fort Lewis College offers a demanding, stimulating college experience, fostering a culture of learning that values community outreach and a strong liberal arts education. Fort Lewis College boasts an impressive list of accomplishments, including five Colorado Professor of the Year awards—only the U.S. Air Force Academy has a higher number of professors with the same distinction in Colorado. Of four year institutions, Fort Lewis College awards the highest number of bachelor's degrees to Native Americans. Eleven NCAA Division II varsity teams compete in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and the college offers ninety unique academic programs and seventy student organizations.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate Fort Lewis College, my alma mater, for turning 100, and wish the institution another 100 years of academic success.

RECOGNIZING THE AWARD OF EAGLE SCOUT EARNED BY TYLER BARRY

HON. RICHARD L. HANNA

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Mr. HANNA. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Tyler Barry of Marathon, NY. Tyler is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Tyler has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. At the age of 6, Tyler began Scouting and over the years, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Tyler has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Tyler designed and constructed a handicap ramp for St. Stephen's Church, of which he is an active member.

Tyler plays three sports at Marathon High School, has a part-time job and also plays in band with some of his peers.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Tyler Barry for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

RECOGNIZING THE 110TH ANNIVERSARY OF GEORGE HENRY WHITE DAY

HON. G.K. BUTTERFIELD

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of George Henry White Day being held in Tarboro, North Carolina on Saturday, January 29, 2011. That day will mark the 110th anniversary of Congressman George Henry White's famous farewell speech Floor of the United States House of Representatives.

Born on December 18, 1853, George Henry White was the only African American in Congress when he was elected in 1896 and re-elected in 1898. He was the last African American elected to Congress from the post-Civil War era.

George Henry White left Congress in 1901, and it would be almost 30 years before another African American would be elected to Congress. And, as we know, no blacks were elected to Congress from the South until 1972; well after the passage of the Voting Rights Act in 1965.

George Henry White was a strong and gifted speaker, who often condemned the harsh and brutal treatment of blacks in the South and introduced the first anti-lynching legislation in Congress.

In 2002, the Tarboro Town Council approved a resolution declaring January 29 as the annual George Henry White Day in Tarboro. In 2003, the Edgecombe County Board of Commissioners approved a similar resolution declaring January 29 as the annual George Henry White Day in Edgecombe County.

On June 25, 2004, the Tarboro Post Office was officially named the George Henry White Post Office Building after the President signed a legislation I introduced into Congress.

On George Henry White Day, January 29, 2005, the Phoenix Historical Society unveiled a commissioned portrait of George Henry White in the Superior Court Room of the Edgecombe County Court House following approval by the Edgecombe County Board of Commissioners.

In 2007, I introduced legislation urging the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee to consider honoring George Henry White with a commemorative postage stamp. I reintroduced the legislation in 2009, and I will again reintroduce this legislation during the 112th Congress.

Last year, the North Carolina Historical Commission approved recommendations of the Capitol Monument Study Committee to lift a moratorium of new monuments on the state capitol square to include among others a monument to commemorate the achievements and public statements of U.S. Representative George Henry White.

Mr. Speaker, George Henry White fearlessly and consistently stirred the conscience of America to embrace racial justice and equality for all people. It was a life worthy of remembering. Please join me in recognizing George Henry White, and in sending our best wishes to the Phoenix Historical Society, which organized the George Henry White Day.

IN HONOR OF JUDGE BRAD BRADLEY FOR A LIFETIME OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Judge Brad Bradley and his commitment to community service in Southlake, Texas. As recognition for his outstanding contributions to his community, the Southlake Style Magazine is honoring Judge Bradley with the Lifetime Community Service Award.

Judge Bradley was born in Peabody, Massachusetts, graduated from Northeastern University, and attended New England School of Law. After moving to Texas, Judge Bradley graduated from Southern Methodist University with a Juris Doctorate. Judge Bradley has had a distinguished legal and judicial career in Northeast Tarrant County. After deciding to stay in Texas as municipal judge, Judge Bradley established the first law office in Southlake, Texas.

After settling in Southlake in 1983, he recognized the need for civic organizations to benefit the growing community. As a creative planner and master organizational architect, Judge Bradley is credited with creating or co-founding at least twenty-nine vital organizations in the greater Southlake community. These organizations include the Southlake Chamber of Commerce, Southlake Executive Forum, educational foundations, community organizations, and charitable organizations to benefit disadvantaged citizens. Because of his vision, hard work, and strategic thinking, the vast majority of these organizations continue to fulfill their missions and goals. Of particular note is Judge Bradley's work in establishing the MetroPort Teen Court to provide alternative sentencing of teens by local municipal courts; the Carroll Education Foundation, which has provided more than \$839,000 in teacher grants and \$109,000 in scholarships for graduating seniors in the local school district; and the Pro Players Foundation, a non-profit organization pairing professional athletes with businesses and community volunteers to enrich the lives of children and ensure they have the opportunity for success. As an innovative public servant, Judge Bradley has been the cornerstone of development and growth in Southlake.

Since 1987, Judge Bradley has been elected to numerous positions as judge, including the Municipal Court Judge of Southlake, 1987. He has also served or currently serves as Judge in Westlake, Haslet, Grapevine, Southlake, Trophy Club, Balch Springs, Edgecliff Village, and Burleson, Texas.

On behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I would like to thank Judge Bradley for his exceptional judicial career and community service contributions to the greater Southlake area. Because of his leadership and expertise, thousands of residents in Southlake and Northeast Tarrant County receive vital services each year. I ask all my distinguished colleagues to join me in recognizing Judge Bradley for his lifetime of community service.

DAVE DILL TRIBUTE

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize David Lee Dill of Pueblo, Colorado, for his service to his community and his immense contribution to local, State, and Federal Government.

Dave was born in Lamar, Missouri, and moved around the State until he graduated from high school in Springfield. After his diploma, Dave served in the Navy and trained to be a hospital corpsman. Following his honorable discharge from the Navy he went back to night school at Drury College in Springfield to earn his bachelor's in history while he simultaneously worked full-time and started a family. He has spent a career rising through the ranks of the operations management field in various States and in 1994 was promoted to vice president of operations at Artistic Greetings, in Elmira, New York. By 1997, Dave and his family decided they needed to move back home to Pueblo, Colorado.

Dave has always been intensely interested in government and has dedicated much of his life to fostering strong civic ties between citizens and elected officials. While living in Colorado Springs as a young man, Dave's employer suggested he meet his Congressman and other office holders. Since then, Dill has felt a need to serve others and motivate them to care about their elected representatives.

Dill has risen through the ranks of the Republican Party, starting as a volunteer on local races and eventually becoming a valuable electoral asset working on statewide and congressional campaigns. In 2007, he saw an opportunity to advance the political dialogue in the diverse Pueblo community and ran successfully for two terms as Republican County Chairman. During his tenure, he revolutionized the Pueblo County Republican Party by revamping fundraising efforts and increasing outreach through social media. He was also responsible for inviting Dana Perino as the keynote speaker at Pueblo County's 2010 Lincoln Day dinner. He has decided to retire from his unpaid, yet full-time, position as county chair.

Mr. Speaker, through the efforts of citizens like David Dill, America is able to foster a positive, representative democracy. I would like to thank Mr. Dill for his respectfulness, passion, and excitement in electoral politics, as well as for his countless hours of community service.

HONORING NEW JERSEY STATE SENATOR NIA GILL AND HER COMMITMENT TO SOCIAL JUSTICE

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor State Senator Nia Gill for her contributions to the 34th legislative district of New Jersey and its residents.

A proud mother and grandmother, Senator Gill was born in Glen Ridge and raised in

Montclair. Before earning her law degree at the Rutgers School of Law—Newark, Senator Gill graduated from Upsala College. Senator Gill also holds an honorary Doctor of Laws from Essex County College.

Ms. Gill began her career in government as a Legislative Aide to the late Senator Wynona Lipman, over 20 years ago. After serving four terms in the New Jersey State Assembly, Ms. Gill was elected to the New Jersey State Senate in 2001. Senator Gill's district includes Montclair, East Orange, Glen Ridge, Clifton, and Woodland Park.

In January of 2010, Ms. Gill was chosen by her Senate colleagues to serve as Senate President Pro Tempore. Currently, Senator Gill is a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, making her the first African American and the first woman to hold this position.

An advocate for human rights, Senator Gill has sponsored legislation that provided more than 100,000 young, uninsured New Jersey citizens with health insurance coverage. Ms. Gill has also assisted women-owned businesses in New Jersey with a bill providing loans and training, ensuring that these businesses are able to prosper in the future.

A respected member of the legislative community, Senator Gill was honored by Selma, Alabama as one of the '100 women in the 20th Century' who contributed to the struggle for civil rights. Senator Gill will also be honored as a community leader by the Rutgers School of Law—Camden at the Champions of Social Justice and Equality Banquet.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Senator Gill and thank her for her legislative accomplishments on behalf of the state of New Jersey and its residents.

IN HONOR OF OLAN FAULK, FORMER MAYOR OF RICHLAND, GEORGIA

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a great public servant to the State of Georgia and our great Nation, Olan Faulk. His work as a rural educator, a community action program administrator, a long-time and effective aide for former U.S. Senator Sam Nunn, and as Mayor of his adopted hometown of Richland, Georgia, are proof positive that Olan Faulk made a difference with his life.

At the age of 80, Mr. Faulk, entered into his eternal rest on Thursday, January 20, 2011. He was born on September 17, 1930 in Cairo, Georgia, one of four children, to the late Elijah and Missy Powell Faulk.

Mr. Faulk was a graduate of Washington High School in Cairo. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Fort Valley State College, now Fort Valley State University, where he was a dedicated lifetime member of the Fort Valley State University National Alumni Association. He taught vocational agriculture for 7 years in the Stewart County School System and later worked for 13 years as Program Developer and Director of Operations for the Enrichment Services Program in Columbus, Georgia. He bravely served his country during the Korean War.